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SUBJECT: RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT NIXON

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF GVN OFFICIAL STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE  
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION ON THE RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT NIXON:

QTE THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LED TO HHE RESIGNATION OF  
PRESIDENT NIXON ARE INTERNAL MATTERS OF THE UNITED STATES.  
HOWEVER, THE DEPARTURE OF A LEADER WHO HAS CONSISTENTLY  
DEVOTED HIMSELF TO THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM AND PEACE HAS  
CERTAINLY CAUSED EMOTIONAL REGRETS AMONG ALL PEACE AND  
FREEDOM-LOVING PEOPLE IN THE WORLD. THESE FEELINGS, THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM DOES SHARE.

FOR VIETNAM, PRESIDENT NIXON WILL BE LONG REMEMBERED AS  
THE MAN WHO HAD ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTED TO THE EFFORTS AIMED  
AT ENDING THE WAR AND RESTORING PEACE ON THE BASIS OF THE  
TWO PRINCIPLES OF INSTANT CEASE-FIRE AND STRICT RESPECT OF THE  
RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE.  
THESE TWO FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES WHICH FULLY RESPOND TO THE  
LEGITIMATE ASPIRATIONS OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE ARE EMBODIED  
IN THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 27, 1973. THEREFORE,  
IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM TO SCRUPULOUSLY RESPECT AND SERIOUSLY  
IMPLEMENT THIS AGREEMENT.

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BACause OF THE STUBBORN AND BELLICOSE ATTITUDE OF THE  
COMMUNIST SIDE, THE PARIS AGREEMENT HAS NOT BEEN CARRIED OUT.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM IS FULLY CONFIDENT  
THAT THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA WILL CONTINUE THE POLICY WHICH HAS BEEN PURSUED BY  
FIVE US PRESIDENTS AND ENDORSED BY THE TWO MAJOR POLITICAL  
PARTIES OF THE US, AND MAINTAIN THEIR COOPERATION WITH THE  
GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, SO THAT  
A JUST PEACE IN SOUTH VIETNAM BASED ON THE PARIS AGREEMENT  
COULD BE ACHIEVED.

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